Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is there any one at present?

President—I do not think that arises from the previous question.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know when the retransfer was made?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It was made soon after the receipt of the consolidated report embodying the requirements of the schools.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How many days after the re-opening was the re-transfer made?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I want notice regarding the exact date.

Potteries.

202. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state what articles have been manufactured in the year 1106 in Chalakkudi Pottery works during thelast two and a-half months?

(a) the quantities of the different kinds of articles manufactured;

(b) the cost of the articles thus turned out;

(c) of the articles manufactured and issued out of the Pottery works what quantity have been taken by Government in the various departments and what quantity has been sold to the public at large;

(d) what is the number of glazed pipes turned out from the kilns of the Pottery works;

(e) have they been submitted to any test to ascertain the possibilities of placing such pipes in the market;

(f) what is the cost of manufacturing such pipes to Government;

(g) or what per cent of profit can be made on the pipes?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—

(a)

1.	Drainage pipes	1,600
2.	Ordinary red bricks	15,000
3.	Ink stands	200
4.	Vitrified bricks	500

(b) The total cost of the manufacture of the articles is Rs. 626—10—2.

(c) 500 vitrified bricks have been sold to the Sitaram Spinning & Weaving Mills, Ltd., Trichur and 120 ink stands to the Superintendent of Stamps, etc., Ernakulam.

(d) Pipes were not burned during the said two and a-half months.

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(e) Samples of pipe mixture and finished pipe have been sent to Messrs. Rendel Palnur and Tritton, Calcutta, consulting Engineers to the Government of India who have forwarded the same to Dr. Spencer of Bird & Co., Calcutta, for expert opinion.

(f) and (g). The factory began to manufacture pipes only very recently and as the pipes so turned are more or less of an experimental nature the actual cost cannot be given at this stage.

Teaching of Agriculture in Schools.

203. Mr. Ouseph P. Kundukulam.—Will the Government be pleased to state, whether

(a) Agriculture was introduced as an optional subject in V and VI Forms of certain High Schools in the State;

(b) if so, when and the names of High Schools where they were introduced;

(c) whether the same is being continued now;

(d) whether from the experience gathered, the Government is satisfied of the usefulness of such a course in the High Schools;

(e) if the answer to (d) is in the affirmative, what measures have the Government taken to introduce the same in all High Schools?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b)

H. S. Irinjalakkuda	Edavam 1101.
H. S. Tiruvilwamala (In Form V only)	From the beginning of this educational year.
H. S. Kunnamkulam	Do
H. S. Chittur	1926—1927
H. S. Vadakkancheri	1102
H. S. Chalakkudi (In Form V only)	1926
H. S. Trichur	1924—1925
H. S. Mulanthuruthy	1102

(c) Yes.

(d) Yes.

(e) Already one teacher has been deputed to Poona Agricultural College for training this year so that he may be posted to the High School where facilities exist for introducing Agriculture as an optional. Necessary steps will be taken for training more graduates at Poona Agricultural College or elsewhere if required.

Appointment of teachers in the Education Department.

204. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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